

Supplemental Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111
U.S. Appln. No. 10/669,638
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REMARKS

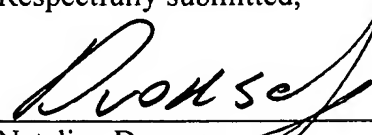
Claims 1-47 are all the claims pending in the application. By way of this amendment and to expedite prosecution of the above-identified application, Applicant amends claims 1, 10, 15, 24, 31 and 40.

As discussed during the in person Interview with the Examiner on June 30, 2006, Applicant amends these claims to further clarify the invention. As indicated by the Examiner during the Interview, the proposed amendments overcome the rejections of record (*see* Continuation Sheet). Entry and Consideration of this Amendment are respectfully requested.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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